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WANAMAKER TO WIN.

The Great Republican Conference at the Bourse and Who Were There.

BOSSSES AGAINST THE PEOPLE.

A Battle Royal This Year—The State Aroused—Over Four Hundred Men From All Parts of the State Meet in Philadelphia—Quay and Andrews Arraigned For Their Crimes Against the Party—A Platform That Should Rouse Every Republican to Action. (From Our Own Correspondent.)

Harrisburg, Feb. 8.—The conference of Republicans from all parts of the state at the Bourse, in Philadelphia, on Wednesday last, which invited Hon. John Wanamaker to lead the fight against the bosses, is destined to become historic in Pennsylvania politics. It is but the statement of a plain truth, to say that outside of a state convention no such meeting was ever held within the borders of the commonwealth. All classes of men, all elements of independent political thought within the Republican party, all ranks and grades of men in business and industry present, but scores of farmers, and the conference was attended only by a handful of Philadelphians. There was a degree of honest difference of opinion expressed, but it only served to more emphatically emphasize the free and untrammelled character of the gathering.

But perhaps the most striking feature of the memorable conference was the predominance of the soldier element. The Grand Army of the Republic and the Veteran Legion were really the most conspicuous factor of the day. The presiding officer, General Kooztz, is a veteran of the civil war, while the most prominent speakers were men who had come through the hail of bullets and listened to the shriek of shrapnel in the campaigns on the Potomac and in the valley of the Cumberland.

A DISTINGUISHED CROWD.
A cold blooded and impartial study of the personnel of the gathering is the highest testimonial of its character. The machine papers and the bosses' organs over the state have endeavored to make it appear that the meeting was controlled by politicians who had advocated the election of Hon. John Wanamaker to the United States senate—that the bulk of those attending was composed of the disgruntled and disappointed. These pap fed journals state the truth when they say that the conference was composed of the discontented element in the Republican party. It was composed wholly of this element—of men who have become disgusted and disheartened with the arrogant, selfish and corrupt mismanagement of the Republican party. It was not made up of sorehead politicians and worn out political hacks.

Every man present was a distinguished representative of the community in which he lives; men who have given their time, money and voice to the party, and who out of self respect are now compelled to refuse to go hand in hand with political wreckers of the M. S. Quay and "Asparagus" Andrews type. The war record of the men who represented the finest elements of the veteran army of Pennsylvania is an interesting one.

There is General W. H. Kooztz, chairman of the conference, a veteran of the late war, a leader of the Somerset county bar, one of the finest campaign speakers in the state, a warhorse of the Republican party and a gentleman who through the long period of a political career has never asked and never received a favor at the hands of the bosses.

THE SOLDIER ELEMENT THERE.
Another conspicuous figure was the past state commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, General John E. Taylor, of Millin county. General Charles L. Leiper, of Philadelphia, was another war time figure that loomed up in the conference, and no man who has ever read the record of the famous Iron Brigade can forget that he was its commander.

General Robert B. Beath, ex-surveyor general of Pennsylvania, and one of the most prominent Grand Army men in the United States, added his presence and his vote to the gathering. The mailed and crippled of the Grand Army of heroes were represented in two men who limped into the conference hall in the persons of Major George W. Merrick, of Tioga county, and Major E. A. Hancock, of Philadelphia, each one of whom left a leg on a southern battlefield. Major Merrick was one of the vice presidents of the meeting, and delivered one of the most scathing speeches on bossism ever heard in Philadelphia. His arraignment of Quay and Andrews literally amounted to a firing.

the Columbia Spy; Hon. Thomas B. Cochran, of the Lancaster Examiner; T. B. Lister, of the Munsy Luminary; Wilmer H. Johnson, of the North Wales Record; J. H. Zerby, Pottsville Republican; J. A. Lambert, Somerset Standard; Hon. Hiram Young, York Dispatch.

An estimate of the total number of participants in the conference, based on the names registered at the Philadelphia Bourse, with an actual count of those in the room during the meeting, shows that there were 409 gentlemen present who had secured tickets of admission to the gathering. Every county in the state but seven was represented, and only one county out of the total of 67 in the commonwealth failed to be heard from by representative or by letter, and this was owing to a delay in sending the invitation to anti-Quay leaders in that county.

The platform adopted by the conference upon which to go before the people of Pennsylvania is a document that is certain to command widespread attention. It is a platform upon which the candidate of the anti-Quay Republicans can stand firmly and wage a relentless war on bossism. It is impossible in the limits of this letter to give the platform adopted in detail. A few extracts will, however, indicate the general tenor. In its arraignment of Mr. Quay's legislature last year, acting under orders from the bosses themselves, the platform says:

WHAT THE PLATFORM SAYS.
"They sought to take from the public treasury thousands of dollars for pretended expenses, for services upon pretended investigating committees, of which the Lexow committee is a notorious example, and for junketing trips of the members, and failed only by reason of the interposition of the executive."

"At a time of the most serious business depression, and the resultant falling off of the public revenues, they appropriated during the last two sessions more than a million dollars for purposes either unlawful or useless, which appropriations, fortunately, met executive disapproval."

"For the purpose of creating new offices, and to extend the power of patronage, they passed what is known as 'the mercantile tax bill,' imposing burdens upon and crippling almost every business interest in the commonwealth, already overtaxed, and but for the executive veto this bill would have become a law."

THIRD TO CUT THE SCHOOL FUND.
"To afford greater opportunity to make appropriations for useless and unlawful purposes, a serious attempt was made to cut down the appropriations for our public schools to the extent of \$1,000,000, which failed of passage only because of the storm of public sentiment raised against it from every part of the state."

"Numerous bills were introduced for the more purpose of extorting largess from the people and the interests of the state as the price of preventing their passage."

"To satisfy public demand, an investigation of the state treasury was ordered, but the committee appointed was so constituted that, instead of investigating, their plain effort was to conceal, and no questions were permitted to be propounded by any member except such as had been prepared in advance and where it was known that the answers would do no harm."

A Good A. tiele by a Salisbury Preacher.

The following article by Rev. F. E. Hetrick, M. S., pastor of the United Evangelical church, took first prize in one of *Grit's* contests. We commend it to the readers of THE STAR as worthy of personal and thoughtful consideration.

"Development depends on culture. This is true physically, ethically and intellectually. The plan of the finite mind is a masterpiece of the infinite, yet it is but the outline or scheme given to man for the completion of one of the most marvelous works of ingenuity of the Creator's designs."

The diverse faculties of the intellect are very pliable in intellectual infancy and bear numerous phenomena and characteristics. Hence, the necessity of discretion in the selection of the proper 'diet' for their growth or development.

As such, the newspaper stands as an invincible rival, and is well adapted, because its contents are as diverse as the faculties. Thus it carries constantly a variety of knowledge, lucidly and concisely expressed, teaching, among other lessons, the important one of clothing thought in the best and most concise language.

The fundamental principles of education, generally the choicest language, the richest rhetorical figures, history in its most interesting types, plots by the most acute imaginations, and fables bearing beneficial morals, often adorn its pages. Thus it treats alike the illiterate as well as the most profound student.

What the masses want is the best literature for the least money. In seeking such I would recommend a good newspaper.

Into the fountain of its contents, the most critical or scholarly may bathe and return refreshed and better equipped for his duties.

It is a school open to the primary scholar and college graduate alike. And the idea often courted by some that it is an enemy to the illiterate is a gross mistake. It comes to him as a friendly teacher, although more frequently a stranger to him because of his own indifference.

The prejudice that some people harbor against the newspaper is inexcusable and uncalled for, since the result of its mission has already been one of indescribable benefit.

Neither can we find a substitute for it. How about books? They are doing a marvelous work; yet as the physical man craves for fresh and nutritious food, so the intellectual man desires something fresh and novel, something that will entertain, and at the same time educate the mind into knowledge of the most recent discovery, and evidently of the most use.

To the fathers of our homes, I appeal to secure for yourself and children, if you have not already, the friend of the home—the newspaper.

A Baker Bulletin.

President S. J. Hart of the Baker Heirs' association of Upper Sandusky, O., has issued the following notice:

"My attention has been called to an article expressly intended to discourage Baker heirs. This article has been extensively reproduced in the local papers of the county. Such articles do not stand to run alone; there is a power behind it. This move on the part of the enemy is no surprise to us. Their safest and cheapest way to fight us is to discourage investigation. Thousands of people are now living on our lands in and around Philadelphia. They had their spies at our Tiffin meeting. Their spies have visited me here at Upper Sandusky. Don't let them discourage and deceive you. If we have an estate in Philadelphia we will soon find out and at little expense. Let us move forward promptly without the loss of a single person from our ranks, as agreed upon at Tiffin, and we will soon know whether or not we are building upon a rock."

Engagement Ring Recovered.

"No one else will ever wear this ring. Here it goes!" said Charles Bloodgood to Miss Eliza Turnbull, standing up in a boat one August night in 1896, and tossing their engagement ring into the Susquehanna river, near Unadilla. They had come from the Berkshire hills to visit mutual friends, and had quarreled while returning home from a picnic. After returning home to the Berkshire hills they were reconciled and married. Recently fishermen "bobbing" through the ice for pickerel near Windsor, some 40 miles south of Unadilla, made a large catch. A cousin of Bloodgood, one of the fishermen, in opening one of the fish, found a gold ring in it. He burnished it up, and inside the circle were discovered the initials of Bloodgood and Miss Turnbull. He sent the ring to his cousin.—*Seranton Tribune.*

Jefferson County Giant.

Col. Cooper, the McCalmont township giant, who travels with a circus in the summer time and stays at the home of his mother in the winter, seldom goes out, but when he does causes considerable consternation among the children, and also among grown folks who have never seen him. He is 8 feet 4 inches in height, and large in proportion, and resembles one of the victims of "Jack the Giant Killer" so much that the little folks are sore afraid. He is, however, a man of genial temper.—*Dunsmuirian.*



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